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Additional demand of spie capag for HBJ gas pipeline

915. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Spie Capag led France-Japanese Consortium executing the cross country Hazira-Bijaipur-Jagdishpur gas pipeline is likely to demand Rs. 100 crores more than the contractual price on account of additional cost of construction;

(b) if so, whether there is any provision in the contract for such adjustment in the contract price; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and what is Government's reaction to the demand?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) to (c) The Contractor has made some claims for additional work. The contract a fixed price contract.

However, the contract provides that in case the contractor considers that he is entitled to any extra payment for any extra/additional works or material chang in original specifications carried out by him in respect of the works, he can make a claim for such extra payment. GAIL will review these claims and dispose them of in an appropriate manner. No such claims have so far been accepted by GAIL.

HBJ gas pipeline work behind schedule

916. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the work on the cross country Hazira-Bijaipur-Jagdishpur gas pipeline is progressing behind schedule; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) The project is expected to be completed in all respects as scheduled by July 1989.

(b) Does not arise.

Meeting the shortage of Kerosene Oil in Madhya Pradesh

917. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that the requirement of Kerosene Oil of the Industrial Units of Madhya Pradesh is 25 lakh litres per year;

(b) if so, what is the quota allotted to the State for use by the Industrial Units; and

(c) how do the Government propose to meet this deficit and also to meet the genuine requirements of Industrial Units in Madhya Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) to (c) Madhya Pradesh Government had requested, in April, 1985, for an additional quantity of 20 lakh litres of kerosene per month for its industrial consumers.

Kerosene is essentially meant for domestic purposes i.e. cooking and illumination. Under the Kerosene(Restriction on Use and Fixation of Price) Order, 1966, as amended from time to time, the use of Kerosene for essential industrial purpose is permitted only ontechnological grounds and necessity and the State Governments are competent to make allocation for such essential requirements from the States quota. No separate allocation of Kerosene is made by the Central Government for industrial use.

Short supply of kerosene to Orissa

918. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that due to short supply of kerosene oil in Orissa people are facing a lot of trouble and the same is being sold at higher rates also; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to supply kerosene oil to the State as per their requirement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b) No report in this regard has been received from the Govt. of Orissa in the recent past.

However, to meet the anticipated increased demand, Orissa State has been allocated 40640 tonnes for this Summer Block (March to June, 1987) as against 38740 tonnes given for the same period last year.

खाना पकाने की गैस की नयी एजेंसियों का आवंटन किया जाना

919. **श्री सुनील कुमार पट्टनायक :** क्या **पैट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या वर्तमान वर्ष के दौरान देश में खाना पकाने की गैस के वितरण के लिये नई एजेंसियां देने का कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो गैस की कुल कितनी एजेंसियां दिये जाने का विचार है और कब तक ; और

(ग) दिल्ली में किन-किन स्थानों पर ये एजेंसियां प्रदान किये जाने की संभावना है ?

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(ख) चूंकि वितरणशिपों को चालू करना अनेक औपचारिकताओं —यथा विज्ञापन देना, चार तेल चयन बोर्डों द्वारा चयन किया जाना तथा आधारभूत प्रबन्ध—जिसमें सांविधिक अनुमति भी शामिल है, करने की प्रक्रिया पर निर्भर है, अत: संख्या और समय सीमा के बारे में बताना संभव नहीं है ।

(ग) जबकि वर्ष 1984–85 और 1985–86 की वार्षिक विपणन योजना के अधीन दिल्ली में 42 वितरणशिपों की योजना की गई थी । अत: उपर्युक्त (ख) में किये गये उल्लेख के अनुसार 1987–88 में किन स्थानों पर वितरणशिपें खोली जायेंगी, यह बताना व्यवहार्य नहीं है ।